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SUBJ: W/W: BRAD ALLEN AND SYNTHIA KARTES

SCOTT AFB ILL FOR COMAC FOR POLITICAL ADVISOR, TREMBLAY

REF ATHENS 8271 (NOTAL)

1. EMBASSY INFORMED BRAD ALLEN KARTES DIED THIS MORNING AT APPROXIMATELY TWO AM LOCAL TIME. WIFE INFORMED BY CHAPLAIN AND LEGAL OFFICER FROM IRAKLION AIR FORCE BASE. CONOFF INFORMED PARENTS-IN-LAW, MR. AND MRS. ABSEY, WHO WILL INFORM PARENTS OF DECEASED. FYI: CONOFF CALLED ABSEY'S RATHER THAN KARTES AT REQUEST OF DECEASED'S WIFE.

2. UNDERTAKEN JOHN MARKOULAKIS, IRAKLEION, CRETE, TELEPHONE 284-504, MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR SHIPMENT REMAINS TO GRAND FORKS, NORTH DAKOTA, AT REQUEST OF DECEASED'S WIFE. PAYMENT TO BE MADE THROUGH LEGAL OFFICE USAF BASE WHEN KNOWN, AND REQUEST ADDITIONAL FUNDS FROM FAMILY IF REQUIRED.

3. SYNTHIA KARTES SCHEDULED FOR MEDICAL EVACUATION TO ATHENS NOVEMBER 20 VIA OLYMPIC AIRWAYS. WILL ENTER ATHENS GENERAL CLINIC, TELEPHONE 646-1211. USAF BASE ASSISTING WITH ARRANGEMENTS ON CRETE. FATHER MAKING ARRANGEMENTS HER RETURN TO NORTH DAKOTA, POSSIBLY VIA MONTREAL AND WINNEPEG, CANADA, FOR LATER THIS WEEK OR EARLY NEXT. HE WILL INFORM EMBASSY ACCORDINGLY.

4. USAF BASE ALSO ASSISTING MRS. KARTES WITH PAYMENT

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HOSPITAL BILL, AIRLINE TICKET TO ATHENS, AND RECOVERY OF

PERSONAL EFFECTS AND PASSPORT FROM AYIOS NIKOLAOS, CRETE,
WHERE COUPLE WERE LIVING. BASE LEGAL OFFICER HAS REQUESTED
POWER OF ATTORNEY FROM MRS. KARTES TO SETTLE ANY OUTSTANDING
DEBTS AND HANDLE MATTERS RELATING TO ACCIDENT. FYI: POLICE
INFORMED EMBASSY THAT MR. KARTES RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENT.
ONLY HE AND WIFE INJURED, HOWEVER.

5. SENATOR QUENTIN BURDICK INTERESTED.
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